Town of Shirley Historical Commission/Shirley Center Historic District Commission Meeting May 19, 2021

Called to order 5:30 P.M.

In attendance:

All via Zoom: Paul Przybyla, chair; , Nancy Andersen, Anne Dempsey, Sonia Razzetti

Minutes of the April 21, 2021 meeting were approved unanimously.

The following applications for Certificates of Appropriateness were reviewed and approved: COA 2021-6. 17 Parker Road. Robert Adam owner and contractor. Enclosure of rear porch. Drawings and photos were attached. Windows and siding will match existing non-conforming house. Work to be done by July, 2021. The COA had sufficient information to preclude any questions or discussions. Upon a motion made by Ms. Dempsey and seconded by Ms. Andersen, the vote in favor of approving COA 2021-64 was passed unanimously.

COA 2021-7 7 Parker Road. John Sturm and Mary Sullivan. Repairs in kind to roof, replacing existing asphalt shingles on south-facing roof with dark gray Cambridge "Harvard Slate" architectural asphalt roof shingles. Work to be done in August 2021. Hearing no discussion, upon a motion made by Ms. Dempsey and seconded by Ms. Andersen, the COA 2021-7 was approved with Mr. Przybyla abstaining as the applicant.

It was reported that the historic district signage is at the printing company and is expected to be done by June. Under correspondence, a letter from Robert Adam to the town planning board advocating for increased designation of scenic roads was copied to the members. There was discussion on the benefits of such designation and Mass GL Title VII Chapter 40-15c was read and discussed. It was decided to hear the response from the planning board before acting on this.

Ms. Razzetti provided a status on the research work on CPA and offered to provide a power point program for presentation to Shirley boards and commissions on the CPA information. Ms. Dempsey researched current information on the town's tax rolls and recommended that comparable towns who have accepted CPA be used as examples in promoting the CPA benefits to Shirley. A meeting to consolidate the information has been scheduled for the end of the month and the goal is to first go to the planning board with this information.

Mr. Przybyla asked that members consider assuming the role of chair of the commission after his current 3-year term expires on June 30. While he is willing to continue on the commission he is unwilling to continue as chair. There was discussion of the role of the chairperson and the matter will be discussed at the June 22 meeting.

Next meeting scheduled for June 22 at 5:30 PM. Upon a motion made and seconded, the Meeting adjourned, 6:17 PM